



**DECLARATION /POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION  
SOLE INVENTOR**

As the below named inventor, I hereby declare:

My residence, post office address and citizenship is as stated next to my name below:

I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **Method and Apparatus for Unloading Gradients**, the specification of which

- ☐ is attached hereto.  
☒ was filed on 27 July 2001 as application Serial No. 09/915,291.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

**Prior Foreign Applications**

I hereby claim priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below. I have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is based.

Country	Application Number	Date of Filing (month, day, year)	Date of Issue (month, day, year)	Priority Claimed Under 35 U.S.C. §119
				Yes No
				Yes No

**Prior United States Application(s)**

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35 United States Code, § 120 of any United States patent application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Application Serial Number	Date of Filing (month, day, year)	Status (patented, pending, abandoned)
09/628,340	28 July 2000	Pending

**Prior Provisional Application(s)**

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35 United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

Application Number	Date of Filing (month, day, year)	Status (patented, pending, abandoned)

**Power of Attorney**

And I hereby appoint, both jointly and severally, as my attorneys with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected herewith as well as before any office or agency of a foreign country or any international organization in connection with any foreign counterpart application claiming priority to this

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information knowledge and belief are believed to be true; and further that these were made with the knowledge that false statements made willfully are punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both a fine and imprisonment under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States; and further that false statements made willfully may jeopardize the validity of any patent issuing on an application in which the false statements were made.

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